

Reported by the committee of the whole house, be laid on the table? And it was resolved in the affirmative.

On motion by Mr. Thomas of Cecil, the house proceeded to consider the report of the committee on ways and means, to which was referred a resolution in favour of the administrator and securities of Francis Gillespie, late sheriff of Cecil county, made yesterday, and the said report having been read the second time,

After some discussion, the question was propounded, Will the house concur in said report, and assent to the resolution, the adoption of which is therein recommended? And it was determined in the negative.

The question then recurred, and was put Will the house assent to the resolution as originally submitted, and referred to the committee on ways and means, as above? It was resolved in the affirmative.

The house then adjourned until to-morrow morning nine o'clock.

#### FRIDAY, February 22d, 1828.

The house met. Were present, the same members as on yesterday. The proceedings of yesterday were read.

On motion by Mr. Hawkins, the house excused Mr. Thomas of St. Mary's, from further service as chairman of the standing committee on divorces, in consequence of his present indisposition.

Mr. Mackey presented the petition of sundry citizens of Cecil county, on behalf of The Oxford Rail Road Company of Chester county, in the state of Pennsylvania, praying that they, and their associates, may be incorporated for the purpose of extending said road to a point at or near Port Deposit, in Cecil county, or to a point at or near Elkton, or both places if it should be found practicable, and for the interest of the company; which was referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

Mr. Mercer, presented two several petitions of sundry inhabitants of Baltimore city and county, and of Harford and Cecil counties, to the same effect, praying for an act to incorporate a company to make a turnpike road from the Conowingo or Susquehanna Bridge, to the Delaware line, in a direction towards Wilmington; which were severally referred to the committee already appointed on that subject.

Mr. Shriver, presented the petition of Margaret Yingling, of Frederick county, praying that a deed for a certain lot of ground and premises in the town of Westminster, in Frederick county, may be rendered valid; which was referred to a select committee of three members, consisting of Messrs Shriver, Thomas of Frederick, and Kemp.

Mr. Orrell, presented the petition of sundry inhabitants of Caroline county, praying for a supplement to an act passed at December session 1812, for the ditching or draining a branch or swamp called The Bee Tree Swamp, in said county; which was referred to a select committee of three members, consisting of Messrs, Orrell, Potter and Jones.